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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND
RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR INFORMATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.105

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants respectfully request a two-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for responding to the Requirement for Information mailed on August 11, 2005. Accordingly, the time for response will be extended up to and including December 12, 2005 (December 11, 2005 being a Sunday). A check in the amount of \$450.00 is attached to cover extension of time fee. Applicants believe that no additional fee is required for the submission of this Response. However, in the event that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") requires an additional fee to enter this Response or to maintain the present application pending, please charge such fee to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR INFORMATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.105

Responsive to the PTO correspondence mailed August 11, 2005, please find the following remarks.

REMARKS

These Remarks are in response to the Requirement for Information under 37 CFR § 1.105.

(1) Examiner has requested for a copy of any non-patent literature, published application or patent (US or foreign) by any of the inventors, or information that was used in the invention process, such as designing around or providing a solution to accomplish an invention result. The Examiner has requested the title, citation and copy of each publication that any of the applicants relied upon to develop the disclosed subject matter that describes the applicants' invention. In response, Applicants submit that through this Response and their submission under 37 CFR § 1.56, Applicants have presented all relevant material known and available. Beyond that, Applicants respectfully submit that any other information is not known and/or is not readily available from Applicants.

In cooperation with the Examiner's request, Applicants provide the following documentation that provides background information that should assist the Examiner in understanding the general technology. This information is submitted for background information only and was not relied upon by the Applicants during the inventive process.

"International Banking and Financial Market Developments," BIS Quarterly Review, February 2000.

"Managing Risks to the International Banking System," IMF Research Department Staff, Financial & Development, December 1996, pages 26-28.

"International Banking Law on the Threshold of the Twenty-First Century," Joseph J. Norton, Essays in International Financial & Economic Law, No. 1, July 1996.

The above documentation and additional information is concurrently submitted under 37 CFR § 1.56 pursuant to Applicants' duty to disclose.

(2) Examiner has requested a working prototype of the invention that can be tested by the Examiner. In response, Applicants provide the following:

Applicants are unable to provide a prototype that can be tested by the Examiner. The system is executed on the Assignee's internal platform, therefore a test version cannot be provided to the Examiner. The Assignee has multiple customers that have incorporated the claimed subject matter. However, due to business reasons, such information cannot be released. If the Examiner requires more information, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative who can discuss such matters in further detail over a telephone conversation.

(3) Examiner has requested trade names and providers of products or services in competition with the invention. Applicants provide the following:

While Applicants identify the following providers who may offer services or products in the same field, Applicant do not believe that any service or product offered by the following providers pre-dates Applicants' invention and therefore they do not qualify as valid prior art.

1. Citibank
2. Deutsche Bank
3. ABN AMRO
4. Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank (HSBC)

(4) Examiner has requested the true assignees. An executed assignment is concurrently filed with this Response. The Assignee is the Chase Manhattan Bank. Subsequent to the inventor's assignment, the Chase Manhattan Bank was the subject of a merger that resulted in what is now JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. Prosecution counsel expects to later file a change of name recordation including evidence of the merger.

CONCLUSION

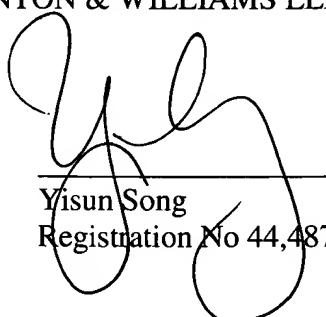
In view of the foregoing response, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that prosecution and allowance of the application will be expedited through an interview, whether personal or telephonic, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned with any suggestions leading to the favorable disposition of the application.

It is believed that no additional fees are due for filing this Response. However, the Director is hereby authorized to treat any current or future reply, requiring a petition for an extension of time for its timely submission as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. Applicants also authorize the Director to charge all required fees, fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, or all required extension of time fees, to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Respectfully submitted,

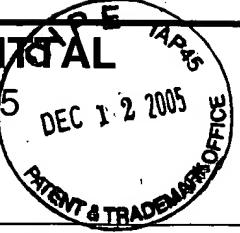
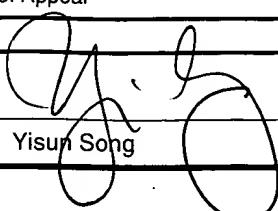
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